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With Block Fading and Burst Jamming

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT ACCOMPANYING REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION

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Sir:

This paper is herewith filed in response to the Examiner's Office Action mailed on January 8, 2008 (hereinafter "the January 8 Office Action") for the above-captioned U.S. Patent Application. A request for continued examination; a petition for extension of time and the required fees are enclosed. Should any other fee be due to maintain the pendency of this Application, charge deposit account no. 50-1924 for the required fee deficiency.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 9 of this paper.